CARELLA, BYRNE, CECCHI, OLSTEIN,
BRODY & AGNELLO, P.C.
JAMES E. CECCHI
5 Becker Farm Road
Roseland, NJ 07068
Telephone: 973/994-1700
973/994-1744 (fax)
jcecchi@carellabyrne.com
Proposed Liaison Counsel
[Additional counsel appear on signature page.]

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

CREIGHTON TAKATA, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,	) Case No. 3:18-cv-02293-FLW-TJB )
Plaintiff,	)
VS.	)
RIOT BLOCKCHAIN, INC. f/k/a BIOPTIX, INC., et al.,	) ) )
Defendants.	)
	-)

DECLARATION OF JAMES E. CECCHI IN SUPPORT OF MOTION OF SAROOR ALAM FOR APPOINTMENT AS LEAD PLAINTIFF AND APPROVAL OF SELECTION OF COUNSEL

- I, James E. Cecchi, declare as follows:
- 1. I am a member in good standing of the bar of the State of New Jersey and of this Court. I am a member of Carella, Byrne, Cecchi, Olstein, Brody & Agnello, P.C. ("Carella Byrne"), proposed Liaison Counsel in this action. I submit this Declaration in support of the Motion of Saroor Alam for Appointment as Lead Plaintiff and Approval of Selection of Counsel.
- 2. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and accurate copy of the notice published by the plaintiff in this action on *Business Wire*, a national, business-oriented newswire service, on February 17, 2018.
- 3. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and accurate copy of the Certification of Saroor Alam.
- 4. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is a true and accurate copy of a loss chart presenting the estimated losses of Saroor Alam at approximately \$110,412 in connection with his transactions in Riot Blockchain, Inc.
- 5. Attached hereto as Exhibit D is a true and accurate copy of the firm resume of Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP, proposed Lead Counsel for Saroor Alam.
- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit E is a true and accurate copy of the firm resume of Carella Byrne, proposed Liaison Counsel for Saroor Alam.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

DATED: April 18, 2018

s/ James E. Cecchi

JAMES E. CECCHI

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on April 18, 2018, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send a Notice of Electronic Filing to all counsel of record.

DATED: April 18, 2018 CARELLA, BYRNE, CECCHI, OLSTEIN, BRODY & AGNELLO, P.C.

s/ James E. Cecchi
JAMES E. CECCHI

5 Becker Farm Road Roseland, NJ 07068 Telephone: 973/994-1700 973/994-1744 (fax) jcecchi@carellabyrne.com